



**SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE DIVISION  
COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU**

**HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED WAIVER  
Policy Manual**

**Section: SERVICES**

**Subject: Community Supports**

**References: ARM: 37.40.1436**

**DEFINITION**

Community Supports is an all-inclusive service available for members in the participant directed Bonanza option.

**COVERED  
SERVICES**

Services include assisting the member with:

1. Basic Living skills such as eating, drinking, toileting, personal hygiene, dressing, transferring and other activities of daily living;
2. Improving and maintaining mobility and physical functioning;
3. Completing household chores and preparation with meals and snacks;
4. Accessing and using transportation (with providers possessing a valid Montana driver's license;
5. Participating in community experiences and activities;
6. Relieving unpaid caregivers at those times when such relief is in the best interest of the member or caregiver; and
7. Receiving day care for medically fragile children who, because of their disability, cannot be served in traditional child care settings.

**SERVICE  
REQUIREMENTS**

Workers providing this service will be selected, hired and managed by the member. This service is offered in lieu of State Plan personal assistance which does not allow for participant direction. For enrollment information on the Bonanza option, contact your Regional Program Officer.

**LIMITATIONS**

This service is only available to members participating in the BSB option. This service may be used for child care only when it is above and beyond routine child care for which the primary caregiver is responsible.

Individuals receiving this service may not simultaneously receive non-medical transportation, respite, personal assistance (state plan or waiver), specialized child care, residential habilitation or respite.

**PAYMENT TO  
LEGALLY  
RESPONSIBLE  
INDIVIDUALS**

Payment for this service may be made to legally responsible individuals, if program criteria are met. Refer to HCBS 604-1.